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This is UNEVALUATED Information				

On 27 November 1952, the Panzer Kaserne in Borna was occupied by an estimated 600 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including about 150 with tank insignia. [redacted] the troops in the installation were equipped with 20 to 25 JS-3 tanks and 20 T-34 and/or T-34/85 tanks, while [redacted] 10 JS-3 tanks and 10 to 15 T-34 and/or T-34/85 tanks were stationed in the installation. No heavy weapons were observed on 27 November. At about 9 a.m., about 10 soldiers were seen maintaining 6 trucks and 5 soldiers were erecting a wooden ramp in front of the building in the west section of the installation. Eight soldiers were digging trenches in the training area.¹ Between 12:30 p.m. and 1 p.m., 29 soldiers wearing black -bordered crimson epaulets left the installation toward Deutsches Haus. The Deutsches Haus was occupied by an estimated 100 to 150 troops wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets, with 5 trucks and 2 sedans.² Trucks [redacted] were seen en route to the Panzer Kaserne.¹

1. [redacted] Comment. The previous assumption that the 1st Gds Tank Regt of the 8th Gds Mecz Div may have been stationed in Borna, in 1952, became doubtful as information [redacted] indicated the 1st Gds Tank Regt as stationed in Grimma. However, there are still strong indications that the regiment may be stationed in Borna.

2. [redacted]

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